

REYNOLDS HISTORICAL GENEALOGY COLLECTION









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PREFACE.

"INGERSOLL."

In compiling these records I have been greatly assisted by "The Ingersolls of Hampshire," by Charles Stedman Ripley; The Ashley Genealogy, by Francis Bacon Trowbridge; published records of the town of Lee, Mass.; the history of Great Barrington, by Chas. J. Taylor; The Centennial Celebration and Centennial History of the Town of Lee; Berkshire County, Mass., by Rev. C. M. Lyde, D. D., "Freeman's History of Cape Cod and Savage's Genealogical Dictionary" and by members of the Ingersoll family in Ohio; records from family Bibles, etc., and is to the best of my knowledge and belief a correct record of this line of the Ingersoll family.

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INKERSALL-INGERSOLL.

The surname Ingersoll was originally and properly written in England "Inkersall" and became corrupted into Ingersoll, either just before or about the time of the settlement of the family in America.

Ann Ingersoll, of Westfield, Massachusetts, embroidered what she believed to be the Ingersoll coat of arms in 1758. This same coat, for many years, hung in the hall of Major Edward Ingersoll's house in Springfield and is yet in possession of the family. Now it is quite evident that the lady who worked these arms inherited the design from her immediate ancestors, otherwise she must have manufactured them to suit her taste. She had no other way of obtaining them. The last hypothesis is improbable, as she belonged to one of the most pious and aristocratic of the colonial families of New England.

I now find, from English records, that the emblazonry on the old arms of Inkersall of Hertfordshire and Middlesex, England, is identical with that on the arms embroidered by Ann Ingersoll in 1758. This seems almost conclusive evidence that they were inherited through generations, and

that Inkersall was the original family surname.

THE ARMS OF INKERSALL—INGERSOLL.

The arms were recorded (Original Manuscript C. 28) at the College of Arms in the beginning of the seventeenth century. They were borne by Robert Ingersoll of Weston who inherited them from his father in the latter part of the

sixteenth century. The record is as follows:-

"Gu a fesse, dancette, ern, betw. six trefoils. slipped or erest: A griffin's head gu., gorged with a fesse, dancettee, betw., two wings, displayed 'or.'" The visor of the helmet is closed and faced to the right (looking at the arms, it faces to the left), showing that the person who was originally given the right to bear the arms was an esquire or gentleman, and that he was born in wedlock. In a pamphlet issue t by Mr. O. R. and Mr. O. W. Ingersoll in 1884 the statement is made that the translation of the Latin motto on the coat of arms is "Virtue lives but fame dies". I can find no authority for this. There is no motto on record with the arms in England, and there it should be if it exists. There is no motto on the arms embroidered by Ann Ingersoll in 1758



but in the scroll where the motto would be found are the words "By the name of Ingersoll."

HAMPSHIRE.

Our branch of the Ingersoll family may be properly called "The Ingersolls of Hampshire, for within the original limits of Hampshire County they have mostly resided. John Ingersoll with others were the first settlers in this county, and from their settlement, which is the earliest record in the county to the present day—a period of two hundred and fifty years—the name of Ingersoll appears most prominently.

Hampshire County was in-corporated May 7, 1662 taking the name from a county in the South of England. It was the first county in the Western part of the State and the largest. also. In 1761 a portion was cut off to form Berkshire County another portion in 1811 to from Franklin and finally a third portion in 1812 to form Hampden.

In the year 1629, in the reign of Charles I. Richard Ingersoll and his brother John came from Bedfordshire. England, and settled in Salem Mass., Richard, the elder brother brought with him to the continent his wife Ann and a family consisting of two sons and four daughters. A third son was born in Salem about 1632. Richard Ingersoll died in Salem in 1644 probably very soon after making his will, which was dated July 21st 1644. John Ingersoll, Richard's younger brother was born in England in 1615 and therefore was about fourteen years of age when he left England to come to America with brother and family. For a time John lived with his brother Richard at Salem Mass., under whose protection he seems to have been. We next hear of him at Hartford, Conn., in which place, he settled after his brothers death. In 1651, he married Dorthy Lord daughter of Thomas Lord, one of the first settlers of Hartford, Conn. At the time of his marriage, he was thirty-six years old and his wife Dorothy was twenty-two. The first two children by this marriage were born in Hartford. Hannah born 1652 and Dorothy born 1654. In 1655 John and his family moved to Northampton, Massachusetts, in which place another daughter was soon born. Margery born in January 1656.

(Northampton Records.)

In giving birth to Margery Ingersoll, Mrs. John Ingersoll died leaving three daughters the eldest of whom



was only four years old. Mrs. Ingersoll was twenty-six years old when she died. On December 12, 1657 about one year after the death of Dorothy, John Ingersoll married again. The second wife was Abigail Bascom, the daughter of Thomas Bascom one of the first settlers of Windsor, Connecticut, but who removed afterward to Northampton. (Northhampton Records.)

In 1666 John removed with his family to Westfield or Woronoco, Mass., which was at that time known only by the Indian name. In April of the same year his wife Abigail died leaving four daughters for John to take care of. During the following year John married again, Mary Hunt a daughter of John Hunt and a sister of Jonathan Hunt, of Northampton. The name of Mary Hunt's mother previous to her marriage was Mary Webster. She was a daughter of John Webster one of the first settlers of Hartford, Conn., and the fifth Governor of the Colony of Connecticut chosen in 1656. He was from County Warwick, England and settled in Hartford with his wife Agnes and several children in 1636. Noah Webster L. L. D., author of Webster's dictionary was born in Hartford and was Mary Hunt's grandfather. It is recorded in the town book of Westfield that in the year 1666 land was granted to John Ingersoll and others and that he settled there in that year. In 1679 he was one of the seven pillars of or Foundation men who united to form the church at Westfield.

CHILDREN OF JOHN INGERSOLL.

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John Ingersoll, died in Westfield September 3, 1684, in the seventieth year of his age and his grave may be found in the old Westfield cemetery. He was the father of fifteen children. His widow Mary died in Westfield August 18, 1690. The land granted to John Ingersoll in Westfield and on which he built his house has always remained in the possession of the Ingersoll family and has always been known to the inhabitants of Westfield as the Ingersoll Place.



THOMAS, INGERSOLL,

SON OF JOHN AND MARY HUNT.

Thomas Ingersoll was born in Westfield, Mass., March 28, 1668. On the old town records of Westfield is the following entry:—Thomas Ingersoll and Sarah Ashley was joined in marriage July 22, 1692.

Five Children were born to Thomas Ingersoll by

his wife, Sarah.

THOMAS born Nov. 27, 1692
MOSES "Feb. 10, 1694
MERIAM "June 4, 1697
DAVID "Sept. 30, 1699
ELEANOR "March 12, 1704

After the birth of Eleanor his wife Sarah died and for a second wife he married the widow of Hezikiah Dickinson, of Springfield. She was the daughter of Samuel Blakeman, of Stratford, Conn., and the grand-daughter of the Rev. Adam Blakeman, the first minister of that town. were no children by this marriage. "December 6, 1707 Mr. Thomas Ingersoll, of Westfield enters his intentions of marriage with Abigail Dickinson, of Springfield, and ye publishment was posted the same day." Thomas Ingersoll and Abigail Dickinson, both aforesaid were married January 21, 1707-8," "Abigail Ingersoll the wife of Thomas Ingersoll was sick and died March ye 30, 1719." (Springfield Record.) April 30, 1720 Thomas Ingersoll, of Springfield, entered his intentions of marriage with Ruth Child, of Watertown, and ve publishment? There were no children from this third marriage. Thomas Ingersoll, of Springfield, and Ruth Child, of Watertown, were married May 17, 1720 (Springfield Record.) Thomas Ingersoll died in Westfield November 14, 1732, in the sixty-fifth year of his age and his widow, Ruth died January 20, 1746-7. (Westfield records.)

SON OF THOMAS AND SARAH ASHLEY.

Captain David Ingersoll was born in Westfield, Mass., September 30, 1699. The first mention we find of David Ingersoll is as a trader at Springfield at which place he remained until about 1732, when he removed to Brookfield. In about 1735 he removed to Great Barrington. In that year his house, on the road to Stockbridge, is mentioned in the records of the Upper Propriety, but it is not certain that he was then living there. He was one of the most enterprising men of Great Barrington and perhaps exercised a wider



influence over his fellow-citizens than any of the inhabitants of the town. His first appearance as a prominent man in the settlement was in 1739, and from that time on, for a period of fifteen years, his name is connected with most of its business interests. He became the owner of five rights in the Upper as well as a large landowner in the Lower township. With an eye to business, Mr. Ingersoll, early in 1739, under a title of extremely doubtful validity, obtained possession of the water power, which of recent years has been occupied by the Berkshire Woolen Company, where he built a dam erected a saw-mill and grist mill and also a forge and trip hammer for the manufacture of bar iron. These works which were on the east bank of the river, below the bridge. were soon, completed and in 1740, he made iron at the forge from ore obtained from the bed east of Lubben M. Pixley's. He had also a store and small stock of goods nearby and was

for a time quite extensively engaged in business.

Mr. Ingersoll built his house in 1739 on the west side of Water street. This house a low one and a half story building with a porch in front formed by a long sloping roof stood directly in front of the site of the dwelling house next north of the old Gorham tayern, and partly within the present highway. It was taken down about 1828 by the late Charles W. Hopkins Esq., who built the present house standing nearly on the site of the old one. Here Mr. Ingersoll resided for ten years until 1749 when he sold the house to Deacon Timothy Hopkins Esq., and removed to another part of town. Mr. Ingersoll was first clerk of the Upper Propriety, chosen in 1741; one of the committee for building the meeting house and for providing a minister, and is reputed as having donated the land on which the meeting house stood. was the first magistrate residing within the limits of the Parish and was commissioned a Justice of the Peace on September 8, 1749, an office at that time of honor and trust which conferred dignity and importance upon its cumbent and entitled him to consideration and respect. He was a Captain in the militia and also a select man of the town of Sheffield. In his individual as well as his official capacity he became engaged in the interest of some of the tenants of Livingston's Manor, who were then presumed to live within the limits of Massachusetts) in their quarrels with their landlords, and incurring the displeasure of Mr. Livingston who, in a letter to Lieutenant Governor Delancey



denounced him as "That wicked varlet David Ingersoll."

Mr. Ingersoll was not permanently successful in his business enterprises, and in 1775 his mills and other property were taken on execution to satisfy the demand of his cred-At about the same time, August 15, 1775, in consequence of some irregularities in his transactions with the government, in his official capacity as select man, of Sheffield. tradition says in a matter of bounties on wolf sealps, David Ingersoll was, by the order of the General Court, removed from the offices of Justice of the Peace and Captain of militia, and thereafter disqualified from holding any offices of honor or profit under the government. From this time his influence waned and his name seldom appears in parish or town history. He afterwards for a time resided upon the farm, lately David Leavitt's, south of the village which he owned in connection with a large tract of land in the Southward; the whole embracing some five hundred acres was commonly known as Ingersoll's great farm.

David Ingersoll was married twice. His first wife was Lydia Child, of Springfield, whom he married in Springfield, March 13, 1720–1. She is supposed to have died before his removal to Great Barrington. By his first marriage there was one son, William, born in Springfield April 1, 1724.

This second wife was Submit Horton daughter of Thomas Horton, of Springfield, whom he married in Springfield July 9th 1739, She died November 23 1770. David Ingersoll died March 23 1773 in the seventy-fourth year of his age. By his second wife were born to David Ingersoll six sons and two daughters:

THOMAS HORTON born June 30 1740.

David born Sept. 26 1742. Graduated from Yale College in 1761. Was a lawyer and magistrate of Great Barrington. In 1775 he was proscribed and banished as a Tory. He removed to England and married Frances R. Ryley of England in 1783.

Deodat, born April 18 1744.

Stephen born Sept: 17 1745 and died July 1755.

Sarah born Jan, 24 1747 married Dr. Barnard of Derrfield Mass.

Louisa born Oct. 1, 1751. Married William Shermershorn. Oliver born Dec. 19 1752. Resided in Seconk,

Stephen born July 24 1755.

Eleanor Ingersoll was born in Westfield March, 12 1704.



INSCRIPTION ON A GRAVE-STONE IN LEE.

Sacred to the memory of David Ingersoll, Esq., who was one of the first settlers of this town and one of the few who, in 1780, were formed into a church for this place. Satisfied with living and rejoicing in the hope and glory he died August 10th 1815 age 91 years and four months leaving behind him in this world 149 descendents." His sevensons died in the order in which they were

born. They had forty-four sons.

William Ingersoll, son of Captain David Ingersoll and Lydia Child, was born in Springfield, April 11, 1724. He married Lydia Ingersoll, daughter of Moses, she being his first cousin. They lived in Great Barrington, Mass. In or about 1770 they moved from the central part of Great Barrington to the "Coplands." In February, 1770, the proprictors of the Upper Townships authorized the sale of the school land in the Coplands for the benefit of its inhabitants and in the same year by a vote of this town those inhabitants were excused from the payment of ministerial, school and highway rates. The first roads in the Coplands were established by this town in 1771 and six years later, 1777, thirty persons, inhabitants of that section were paying poll taxes in Great Barrington. But the Coplands, isolated and remote from the central part of the town were by nature separated from it and at the incorporation of "Lee" in 1777 were made a part of that town without opposition from Great Barrington.

On Wednesday, the 26th day of December, 1777, the first town meeting of "Lee" was held at the house of Peter Willcock. William Ingersoll was chosen moderator of the meeting. Mr. William Ingersoll and Captain Jesse Bradley were appointed committee of "correspondence and safety."

(Note, —This last fact makes William Ingersoll's descendants eligible for the societies Daughters of the American Revolution and sons of the A. R.)

CHILDREN OF WILLIAM AND LYDIA INGERSOLL.

Moses, born 1748, married (Eunice West) 2 (Prudence Taylor.)

AARON married Lydia Parsons. Lydia married Jacob Remelee.

BATHSHEBA married Jacob Davis.

JARED married January 1, 1757, Betsy Noble.

DAVID married December 1, 1759, Sarah Parsons, 1781. WILLIAM married October 1761, Mercy Crocker, 1826.



LUCINDA married 1763.
ELIJAH married August 16, 1766, Polly Barlow.
ELIZABETH married Joseph Brewer.
COLVIN married June 1768,
Eliza Wood.

Tombstone in Lee Cemetery Mass.

"Consort of Mr. William Ingersoll Esquire who departed this life June 2, 1804 aged 75 years and eight months. Remember man as you pass by, as you are now so once was I As I am now soon you will be, Prepare for death and follow me."

MOSES INGERSOLL

SON OF THOMAS, AND BROTHER OF CAPT. DAVID.

Moses Ingersoll was born in Westfield, Mass., February 10, 1694. He lived for a time in Springfield Mass. but removed to Great Barrington, Mass., about 1727. He was the proprietor of two and one half rights and owned land on the West side of the highway from the north end of Edward Manville's premises to the Sheldon land a distance of ninety-four rods and on the east 'side of the Main street from John Brewers notherly to the Miss Nancy Kellogg place including Mount Peter and meadow north of it. Ingersoll's residence was apparently where the brick house built by his son Capt. Peter Ingersollin 1766 and now owned by the Pope family stands, but he afterwards had a dwelling on the east side of the street. He was inn-keeper in this part of the town a large landholder in comfortable circumstances a prominent man among the settlers and held the oflice of Parish treasurer. Mr. Ingersoll died 1751. The distribution of his Estate is dated July 31, 1751. His wife Catherine and three sons survived him and Catherine died March 9,

CHILDREN OF MOSES INGERSOLL AND CATHARINE

THOMAS INGERSOLL born June 7, 1720. Died Nov. 6, 1742. ELEANOR "Nov. 11, 1722

" married Capt. Stephen Gunn in 1757, Died 1772.

JOANNA born February 1, 1725.

" married Rev. Samuel Hopkins 1748.

" died August 31, 1793. Lydia born Oct. 1, 1727,

" married William Ingersoll in 1746, the son of David died June 2, 1804.

ELIZABETH born Oct. 9,1729.

married Rev. Noah Wadhams, New Preston Conn. in 1758.



Peter born May 11, 1733. Died 1785.

DAVID born March 1, 1736. Died in early youth. BATHSHEBA, married Rev. Danial Sanford in 1757.

ELDAH, son of WILLIAM and LYDIA INGERSOLL, born in Lee, Mass., August 16, 1766, married Mary or Polly Barlow, on November 14, 1786. Moved to Newburg, Ohio, and purchased land there and his farm is still owned by his great grandchildren (1903).

		CHILDREN.				
CLARISSA	born	May 24, 1787	died	May	15	1819
Ватизнева		April 14, 1789		Sept.	3	1868
NATHAN		January 8, 1791	4.4	Jan.	8	1858
LOHAN		February 5, 1793	• •	Dec.	11	1880
LEAH	4.4	March 1, 1795	6.6	April	4	1867
ISAAC	4.4	April 29, 1797	4.4	Aprii	11	1883
ELISHA	4.6	January 27, 1799	4.4	Feb.	12	1816
LUCINDA	6.6	January 7, 1802		June	- 6	1827
George W.	4.4	March 4, 1805	4.6	May	4	1805

Copied from tombstone in cemetery at Lee, Mass.

"In memory of Mrs. Mary Ingersoll, wife to Mr. Elijah Ingersoll who died Dec. 16, 1807 in the forty-fourth year of her age.

ELIZABETH INGERSOLL died in East Cleveland, Ohio, Nov.

4, 1845.

ELIJAH INGERSOLL married for second wife Betsy Thomas, of Swansburg, Nov. 10, 1808, She died Jan. 3, 1816.

Third wife ROSSANNA CHURCHILL PARKER (a widow) July

21, 1816. She died July 12, 1855.

NATHAN INGERSOLL son of Elijah and Polly Barlow Ingersoll married Polly Perry, daughter of Abraham Perry and Temperance Hatch who was born at Lee Mass., April 11, 1790. Married:-Jan. 17, 1812, by Rev. Alvin Hyde at Lee Mass. CHILDREN.

MARY ADALINE born Feb. 16, 1813. married Thomas Crosby.

SEMANTHA married Charles Hall,

JANE, unmarried.

Lucy married John Kelly.

EDWIN P. married Elizabeth Walters.

JOHN married Hannah Abey. BARLO married Katherine Ford.

NATHAN INGERSOLL died in East Cleveland September 8, 1858. Polly Perry Ingersoll died April 21, 1880 aged 90 years and two months. She was living after the fifth generation was born. Marion Louise McLean her great great great grand-daughter being born April 2nd nineteen days before Mrs. Ingersoll's death. She died at the home of her daughter Mary Adaline Ingersoll Crosby in East Cleveland. Mary Adaline Ingersoll daughter of Nathan Ingersoll and Polly Perry Ingersoll married Thomas Daniel Crosby, April 29, 1832 in East Cleveland, O. For further record see Crosby Genealogy.



PERRY.

Arthur Perry born at Barnstable, Mass., burried at Lee, Mass. Died in 73rd year May 7, 1794. Married Katherine B. died Feb. 5, 1817 in 86th year of age.

CHILDREN.

ABRAHAM born March 12, 1766. Married Temperance Hatch.
RUTH married Arrow Benedict
CLOE "John Wansor
MARY "Gifford
JOHANNA "Gifford
ABIGAIL "Basby

Abraham Perry born March 12, 1766, died June 14, 1866. Married Feb. 20, 1788.

Temperance Hatch born...... and died June 6, 1859.

CHILDREN.

PATTY OF TAMOR born Apr. 3, 1789. Died Apr. 17, 1789. POLLY born Apr. 11, 1790. Died Apr. 21, 1880. ARTHUR born Jan. 27, 1792. Died June 14, 1866. DEADERNA born Dec. 9, 1793.

ABRAHAM born Dec. 30, 1797.

Lyman born Jan. 15, 1801. Died March 9, 1802.

TEMPSY born Nov. 4, 1803.

POLLY PERRY born Apr. 11, 1790, died Apr. 21, 1880. Married Jan. 17, 1812 NATHAN INGERSOLL. See Ingersoll Rec.

Mrs. Katherine Perry's tombstone in Lee Cemetery Mass.

"Through life in virtue's path she trod" In death her hopes was in her God.

For consideration of £100 Arthur Perry, of Sandwich, Barnstable Co., yeoman three lots of land in that woods on the road from Stocbridge to Becket south of the highway. Melctiah Hatch grantee May 1772, June 1788. Deed recorded Dec. 28, 1773, Pitsfield Land Records.



ASHLEY.

ROBERT ASHLEY, first appears on record as a resident of Springfield, Mass., Jan. 13 1638-9 when there was a rating of £40 agreed upon to meet a portion of expense of the minister's residence and maintainance. Robert Ashley's was £1(pound) for the former and 16 shillings for the latter being the fifth in amount on the list.

The next mention of the ROBERT ASHLEY is the marriage settlement made between him and Widow Horton, of Springfield, Dec. 24, 1641. She was Mary widow of Thomas Horton who died the summer before

leaving her with two small children.

In 1646 ROBERT ASHLEY was licensed to keep the ordinary and on Jan. 22, 1651-2 received a grant of land on Mill River on condition that he should keep the ordinary. The keeper of this was under the supervision of the town's officers and placed under certain restrictions.

It was considered a highly respectable position and mine host took his place among the best people. About 1660 he resigned this position. By this time he had become, by grant and purchase an extensive owner of land on the West side of the Connecticut River at what is now called West Springfield. Then he probably built a house on the house lot, which had been granted him, Feb. 1661.

ROBERT ASHLEY was employed considerably in

the public service:—

Juror 1639, '40, '54, '61, '62, '64, '67, and 70.

Selectman 1653, '59, 1660 '62 and '65.

Towne Constable Feb. 7, 1659, and Sealer of Weights and measures in March of the same year. He died at Springfield Nov. 2, 1682 and wife MARY died Sept. 19, 1683.

CHILDREN.

David born June 3, 1642. Daughter born June 3, 1642 died same day Mary born April 6, 1644. JONATHAN born Feb. 25, 1645-6. Sarah born Aug. 12, 1648. JOSEPH born July 6, 1652.



DAVID ASHLEY born at Springfield, Mass. June 3 1642, died at Westfield, Mass., Dec. 8, 1718. Married at New Haven Nov. 24, 1663, Hannah Glover, born at New Haven May 1646, died June 7, 1722 at Westfield

DAVID ASILLEY, resided at Springfield until 1666, when he removed to Westfield where he had a grant of land. Was one of the original grantees on the Fort side (Marie Street) July 6, 1666. Like his father he was promment in the town and held several responsible offices.

He served as juror 1665;- was elected Selectman 1676,' 77,' 1679-1685,1694, 1699. Clerk of the writs 1678, 1686,' 90, and Treasurer of the Town 1694. He united with the Westfield church Jan. 1, 1679-80 five months after its organization and took the freeman oath at Springfield, Sept. 26, 1680.

His gravestone and that of his wife are among the oldest in the Westfield Cemetery. They are short irregular slabs of native stone and the inscriptions can

be deciphered with difficulty.

ASHLEY Dyed in Des. Ye 8, 1718 Aged 77 years. HANNAH
Ye wife of
David Ashley dyed on
June 7, 1722
Aged 76 years.

CHILDREN.

SAMUEL	born	Oct. 26	1664 a	t Springfield.
DAVID		March 10	1666 ''	
John	4.4	June 27	1669 **	Westfield
Joseph		July 31	1671 **	6.6
SARAH		Sept. 10	1673	* *
MARY		Dec. 26	1675 "	. 44
HANNAH	* *			4.6
JONATHAN	4.4	June 21	1678	4.6
ABIGAIL	+ +	Apr. 27	1681 ''	6.6
MARY	• •	Meh. 3	1682-3 "	
Rehekan	4.4	May 30	1685 ''	,

SARAH ASHLEY born at Westfield Sept. 10, 1673 married July 22, 1692, Thomas Ingersoll.

See Ingersolls and Ashley Geneology.

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HUNT.

JOHN HUNT, born......died probably before 1659. Married MARY WEBSTER, born.....died probably before 1765.

See Webster.

CHILDREN.

Jonathan born 1637 died Sept. 1691 age 54 years. Mary "Aug. 18 or Sept. 1, 1690.

Mary Hunt born.died Aug. 18 or Sept. 1, 1690. Married in 1667 as third wife Thomas Ingersoll born. died Sept. 3 1684.

Hunt Genealogy.

WEBSTER.

JOHN WEBSTER, of Hartford, 1636, by family traditions from Warwickshire, Eng., original proprietor of Hartford, had home lot in 1639 on East side of the street now called Governor street. He was one of the committee who, for the first time sat with the court of Magistrates 1637-8 and a magistrate from 1639-1655: when he was made Deputy-Governor and the next year Governor. He was one of the committee who formed the code of criminal laws for the Colony, in 1642, Commissioner for the United Colonies in 1654. Was an influential member of the church in Hartford, took a deep interest in the controversy which agitated that and other churches, was one of the leaders of the Hadley Company and removed thither in 1659. Was admitted freeman of Mass., and in May 1660 made a magistrate. Died at Hadley, April 5, 1661 leaving a widow AGNES and children:-

MATTHEW BOTH WILLIAM "THOMAS "KOBERT "ANNA "ELIZABETH "

MARY who married John Hunt.



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Former article is written by Miss Talcott Registrar of Colonial Dames of Connecticut and herself a descendant of Gov. Webster.

John Webster chosen Deputy Gov. May 17, 1655.
"" " " 15, 1656.
" " " " " 1657.

Col. Records of Connecticut. Vol. 1 ps 273, 280, 293.

On page 26-7 Vol. 1 Col. Rec. of Conn. is a facsimile of the autograph of Governor Webster, which it would be well to put in Mrs. McLean's book

Gov. Webster, 5th Governor of Conn., in will made June 25, 1659 mention's grandchildren Jonathan and Mary Hunt.

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Mary Hunt Ingersoll's descendents are accepted by the Societies of Col. Dames and Col. Governor's through the above proofs.

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. The Ingersoll family of Westfield and present Lee, Mass. John Ingersoll married, first, 1651, Dorothy, معد عاصليات دري المالا درهام daughter of Thomas Lord of Hartford. She died January, 1656. He married, second, Dec. 2, 1656, Abigali, daughter of Thomas Bascom, who died ---, 1668. He married, third, Mary Hunt, daughter of John Hunt, who dled Aug. 18, 1690. , He dled Sept. 3, 1684, aged seventy years; has gravestone. He resided in Hartford until 1655, when he removed to Northampton, thence, in 1667, to Westfield. In 1679, he was one of the "Seven Pillars" or "Foundation Men" of the Westfield Church. Children: Hannah, born 1652, married, 1672, Stephen Kelsey; Dorothy, born, ---, 1654, married, 1672, Jacob Phelps, and second, ---, Rost; Margery, born January, 1656, married 1679, Jacob Goffe, married second, Jona. Buck; Abigall, born Jan. 11, 1659, by second wife, married Thomas Rix, and second, Joshua Wells; Sarah, born Oct. 30, 1000, married, - Barnes; Abigall, born Aug. 24, married Jedediah Strong; Esther, born Sept. 9, 1665, married William Garley, married second, Benoni Jones; she died a prisoner among Indians in Canada, 1705; Thomas, born March 28, 1668, married Sarah Ashley, of whom more hereafter; John, born Oct. 13, 1869, by third wife, married 1699, Isabel Brown; Abel, born-Nov.: 11, 1671, dled, Anna aged seventyfour years; Ebenezer, born Oct. 15, 1673, died young; Joseph, born Oct. 16, 1675, slaim by Indians at Deerfield, Feb. 29, 1700;

several lines commented afor in following takers.



Mary, born Nov. 17, 1677, died aged infreen years; Benjamin, born Nov. 15, 1679, died, aged seven years; Jonathan, born May 10, 1681, settled in Milford, Conn., died, aged

eighty years.

Thomas (2) Ingersoll, son of John Ingersoil the imigrant, married July 22, 1690, Sarah, daughter of David Ashley: married second. Jan. 21, 1708. Abigail, daughter of Samuel Blackman, and widow Hezekian Dickenson. She died March 30, 1719. Married third, May -, 1720, Ruth Child of Watertown, He died Nov. 14, 1782. Children: Thomas, born Nov. 27, 1692; Moses, born Feb. 10, 1695; married Catharine and settled in Great Barrington: Miriam. born June 4, 1697; David, born Sept. 30, 1699; married in Springfield, March 13, 1720-21, Lydia Child daughter of his father's third wife, formerly of Watertown. Ruth Child was the widow of Joseph Child, and had been the widow of John Maddox. was the daughter of Caleb Church. By her husband, Joseph Chiids, she had Lydia, born in Watertown, June 2, 1706, who married, 1721, David, son of Thomas Ingersoll, her mother's third husband; Abigail. born Sept. 19, 1708; Ebenezer, born Jan. 19, 1711-12. Moses Ingersoil, son of Thomas Ingersoil of Westfield, born in 1698, married in Springfield Catherine -, who died about 1772, a widow, and removed to Great Barrington, 1726 or 27. The following were their children: Thomas, born in Westfield, June 7, 1720, died Nov. 6, 1742; Eleanor. born Springfield, Nov. 4, 1722, married, 1751, Captain Stephen Gunn; Joanna, born Feb., 1, 1725, married Rev. Samuel Hopkins; Lydia, born Oct. 1, 1727, married, Dec. 11, 1746, William Ingersoll, a cousin; Elizabeth, born Oct. 9, 1729, married Rev. Noah Wadhams, New Preston, Conn.; Peter, born May 11, 1733, died 1785; David, 1736, died young; Bathsheba, born -, married, Aug. 4, 1757, Rev. David Sanford, West Medway,

Captain David Ingersoil (Thomas, John), born in Westfield, Sept. 30, 1600, and in 1735 removed to Great Barrington. He married first, March 13, 1720-21, Lydia Child of Springfield, formerly of Water, town. She died ere many years: and he married second, July 9, 1739, in Springfield, Submit, daughter of Thomas Horton. She died Nov. 23, 1770. Captain David Ingersoil died March 23, 1773, aged seventy four years. The son of Captain David Ingersoil by his first wife was William Ingersoil, who was born in Springfield, April



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1, 1724, and who died in Lee in 1815. The children of David Ingersoll by his second wife, Submit Horton, are as follows, born in Great Barrington: Thomas Horton, born June 30, 1740; Deodat, born April 18, 1744, settled in Alford; David, born Sept. 26, 1742, Yale College man, lawyer, a Loyalist, died in England; Stephen, born Sept. 17, 1745, died July 1, 1755; Sarah, born Jan. 29, 1746-47, married Dr. Barnard of Deerfield; Lovis, born Oct. 14, 1751, married, 1774, William Schermerhorn; Oliver, born Dec. 10, 1752, settled in Seekonk, Mass.;

Stephen, born July 24, 1755.

Captain David Ingersoll, born in Westfield, had residence for brief times in Springfield, Brookfield, Stockbridge, Great Barrington and Lee. He was clerk of the "Upper Proprietry," a justice of peace and captain in the trainband. Creditors overtook him in the trying times of the French and Indian Wars, but he recuperated his possessions by his foresight and industry. He may have been land poor and unable to handle himself; but a few years' tilling of fertile spots in the Berkshire Hills caused him to recover. He was an active spirit in defending himself and others in their land titles, for there were land grabbers in those times, which would put to shame the land grabbers of more recent times on the frontlers. He had troubles over land in present New York State, then subject of disputes between the colonies, and notably claimed in the Livingston Manor. Captain Ingersoll in several cases was evidently in the minority and got worsted

David Ingersoll, Great Barrington, "Gentlenian, in consideration of love, goodwill and affection which I have and do bear to my son, Deodat Ingersoll, and for his settlement in life," conveys 1762 "one-half of my messuage or homestead on which I now dwell in Great Barrington, containing in all about three hundred acres." [Berks,

Deeds, ii., 103.

Lydia Child, who married, March 18, 1721, David Ingersoll, was born in Watertown, the daughter of Joseph Child and wife Ruth, wha had been the widow of John Maddox, and was the daughter of Caleb Church. Lydia Child was born June 2, 1700. Bond, in "History of Watertown," page 157, says she married, Dec. 9, 1727, James Fay of Westboro, which is an error. The Lydia Child whom he married was baptized 1711, the daughter of John Child. Joseph Child died Noy. 12,4711, and when

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the widow Ruth married, March 13, 1720, 21; Thomas Ingersoll of Springfield, she took her children with her; and her daughter Ruth, in 1721, when fifteen years old became the bride of David Ingersoll, the son of Thomas Ingersoll.

The selectmen of Watertown endorsed the giving of an innholder's license to the widow Ruth Child; but under July 4, 1720, is this note in the Selectmen's Records: "Mrs. Childs is now married to a Gentleman of another County and we object against any lecience being granted to any Person in that house where she now dwelleth, accounting of it not being suitably accommodated for ye Imployment, neither is there any need of one in that place as we conceive."

Mrs. Childs while the wife of John Maddocks had daughter Ruth, 1691, and son John, 1693.

The mother of Lydia Child was Ruth, daughter of Caleb Church, son of Richard Church, whose wife was Elizabeth, the daughter of Richard Warren of Mayflower fame. Ruth Church was a woman of rare executive ability. As widow of John Maddox, and of Joseph Child, she managed their estates with fine skill. Not a little of her ability she inherited from her father, Caleb Church, the "millwright" of Dedham and Watertown, and though she was living in Springfield when her father died in 1722, she gave power of attorney to her son, John Maddocks, with such advice which shows she knew the intricacles of business deals. investment and settlement of estates. In a personal letter, still preserved among probate papers at Cambridge, she conveys to her kinsmen the remembrance of David Ingersoll and wife.

William Ingersoll (David, Thomas, John) married his cousin, Lydla, daughter of Moses Ingersoll. She was born Oct. 1, 1727. and died June 2, 1804. The following were their children, baptized in Great Barrington Church: Moses, baptized Sept. 25. 1748; William, baptized Sept. 23, 1750; Lydia, baptized Dec. 3, 1751; married Jacob Parmele, and had a daughter Lydla, who married Thomas Ingersoll; Aaron (may have been older than Moses, or a twin): Rebecca, baptized June 1, 1755; Jared, baptized Jan. 1, 1758; William, baptized Nov. 20. 1761; Lucinda, baptized Sept. 30, 1704; Elliah, baptized Jan. 11, 1766; Calvin, baptized May 20, 1768; Bathsheba, who married Jeremy Warner; Elizabeth, baptized at Stockbridge, Jan. 25, 1772. William Inger-

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soll, Captain Jesse Bradley and Oliver West were members of the Committee of Correspondence in the early part of the struggle for Independence.

The following is the gravestone inscription in the ancient cemetery in Lee: "Sacred to the memory of William Ingersoil Esq'r., who was one of the first settlers of this town, and one of the few who in 1780, were formed in a church in this place. Satisfied in living and rejoicing in hope of glory he died Aug. 10, 1815, aged 94 yrs. and 4 months. leaving behind him in a dying world 149 descendants."

At his side is buried the wife of his youth and mother of his children: "In Memory of Mrs. Lydia Ingersoil, consort of Mr. William Ingersoil, Esq'r., who departed this Life June 2nd, 1804, aged 75 yrs. and 8 mos.

"Remember, man, as you pass by, As you are now, so once was I, As I am now, so soon you'll be, Prepare for death and follow me."

Moses Ingersoll (William, David, Thomas, John) was baptized at Great Barrington, Sept. 25, 17:48; married first Eunice West, who died Nov. 19, 1785, aged fiftyseven years; he married second, 1796, Prudence, daughter of Elisha Taylor of Tryingham. She died Jan. 16, 1841, aged eightytwo years. He died in Lee, Mass., Sept. 4, 1813, aged sixty-five years. His children were: Eleanor, born March 11, 1771, married Adoniram Bostwick; Anna, born March 13, 1776; Luther, born Jan. 8, 1778; John

Calvin, born April 13, 1780; Betsy and Billy, twins, born April 10, 1782, Betsy married Nathaniel C. James; Moses, born May 27, 1797, by wife Prudence; Eunice, born Sept. 13, 1798.

The following questions are suggested, first, Moses Ingersoll, born 1695, married Catherine She was perhaps of Springfield or Westfield. Who was she? Second, Moses Ingersoll married about 1770, Eunice West, and had six children, and died Nov. 19, 1785, aged fifty-one (?) years. Who was she? There was a Pelatiah West, the father of Elijah and Daniel West, who resided in the region of Great Barrington, and Eunice may have been a daughter of Pelatiah. Perhaps some correspondent would be willing to exchange information.

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